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By his Excellency THOMAS JEFFERSON, Esq; Governour or Chief Magistrate of the commonwealth of *Virginia*.

PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the Honourable the General Congress, impressed with a grateful sense of the goodness of Almighty God, in bringing the greater part of this extensive continent with pleasure and harmony, crowning our arms with repeated successes, conducting us hitherto safely through the perils with which we have been encompassed and manifesting in multiplied instances his divine care of these infant states, hath thought proper by their act of the 20th day of October last, to recommend to the several states that Thursday the 9th of December next be appointed a day of publick and solemn thanksgiving and prayer, which act is in these words, to wit.

"*Whereas* it becomes us humbly to approach the throne of Almighty God, with gratitude and praise, for the wonders which his goodness has wrought in conducting our forefathers to this western world; for his protection of them and to their posterity, amidst difficulties and dangers; for raising us their children from deep distress, to be numbered among the nations of the earth; and for arming the hands of just and mighty Princes in our deliverance; and especially for that he hath been pleased to grant us the enjoyment of health and so to order the revolving seasons, that the earth hath produced her increase in abundance, blessing the labours of the husbandman, and spreading plenty through the land; that he hath prospered our arms and those of our ally, been a shield to our troops in the hour of danger, pointed their swords to victory, and led them in triumph over the bulwarks of the foe; that he hath gone with those who went out into the wilderness against the savage tribes; that he hath stayed the hand of the spoiler, and turned back his meditated destruction; that he hath preserved our commerce, and given success to those who sought the enemy on the face of the deep; and above all, that he hath diffused the glorious light of the gospel, whereby, through the merits of our gracious Redeemer, we may become the heirs of his eternal glory. Therefore,

Resolved, that it be recommended to the several states to appoint THURSDAY the 9th of December next, to be a day of publick and solemn THANKSGIVING to Almighty God, for his mercies, and of PRAYER, for the continuance of his favour and protection to these United States; to beseech him that he would be graciously pleased to influence our publick Councils, and bless them with wisdom from on high, with unanimity, firmness and success; that he would go forth with our hosts and crown our arms with victory; that he would grant to his church, the plentiful effusions of divine grace, and pour out his holy spirit on all Ministers of the gospel; that he would bless and prosper the means of education, and spread the light of christian knowledge through the remotest corners of the earth; that he would smile upon the labours of his people, and cause the earth to bring forth her fruits in abundance, that we may with gratitude and gladness enjoy them; that he would take into his holy protection, our illustrious ally, give him victory over his enemies, and render him finally great, as the father of his people, and the protector of the rights of mankind; that he would graciously be pleased to turn the hearts of our enemies, and to dispence the blessings of peace to contending nations.

That he would in mercy look down upon us, pardon all our sins and receive us into his favour; and finally, that he would establish the independance of these United States upon the basis of religion and virtue, and support and protect them in the enjoyment of peace, liberty and safety."

I do therefore by authority from the General Assembly issue this my proclamation, hereby appointing Thursday the 9th day of December next, a day of publick and solemn thanksgiving and prayer to Almighty God earnestly recommending to all the good people of this commonwealth, to set apart the said day for those purposes, and to the several Ministers of religion to meet their respective societies thereon, to assist them in their prayers, and with their discourses, and generally to perform the sacred duties of their function, proper for the occasion.

Given under my hand and the seal of the commonwealth, at *Williamsburg*, this 11th day of *November*, in the year of our Lord, 1779, and in the fourth of the commonwealth.

THOMAS JEFFERSON.

ELIZABETH CITY, *November* 5, 1779.

FOR SALE, 426 acres of land lying on a publick road leading to Hampton, distant therefrom 4 miles, and is the valuable tract denominated Kings Land, the soil light and rich, growth of timber pine, and oak of a vast magnitude, in such quantities as not to be exhausted but by the hand of a profusion. Also two other tracts of land adjacent to each other containing by estimation 700 acres, lying on the famous Back river, within a few miles of Hampton, soil very fertile, range for stock of all kinds, extensive and excellent, agreeably situated on a publick road, convenient to navigation, has several springs of fine water, an apple orchard in its prime, consisting of 500 choice trees, abounds in timber, particularly white oak, and houses in good repair. Also one other tract of firm marsh land lying in York county, containing 200 acres, and is in great esteem for the support it gives to large numbers of cattle throughout the winter season, without the least expense. Terms may be known by applying to the subscriber

(2‖) WESTWOOD ARMISTEAD.

TAKEN up in Amherst county, at the mouth of Tye river, a black steer, about 3 years old, marked with a swallow fork in the right, and a hole in the left ear, the points of his horns cut off. Also a red cow with a young calf, marked with a hole in the right, and a crop and underbeil in the left ear; the cow had on a small bell. The steer appraised to 30l. and the cow and calf to 30l. (2‖) JOHN CABELL.

WILLIAMSBURG, *November* 11, 1779.

CAPTAIN LE MAIRE, who was sent to Europe by the government of Virginia, on publick business, in the year 1778, and is still returned to give an account of his proceedings, having been gratified by the state in recompence of his services, and as a testimony of approbation of his conduct, with 2000 acres of land in one of the best situations in the country, and with a commission of Lieutenant Colonel Commandant of dragoons; takes this method of expressing his gratitude to the government for the favours it has conferred upon him, and of returning his thanks to several private Gentlemen for the civilities they have shown him during his short residence in this place. Those favours and civilities, to themselves highly valuable, are rendered to him doubly so, by the honourable proof they afford of the disposition with which the subjects of France are treated, in a state whose autumn is so much esteemed by their Monarch. (2‖)

TAKEN up in Buckingham county, the upper side of Slate river mountain, a bright bay mare, about 4 or 5 years old, 4 feet 4 or 5 inches high, has a long tail, and hanging mane, appears to be broken, branded on the near buttock H, and on the off buttock ● part of her near hind foot is now her footlock white, and one black horse colt, neither cut, docked, or branded, has a mealy nose, is either one or two years old. The mare appraised to 35l. and the colt to 25l. (2‖) JOHN STARKS.

TAKEN up in Prince Edward county, near Sandy river church, a black horse, about 8 years old, 4 feet 6 ½ inches high, a star in his forehead, some white hair on his back, branded on the near shoulder, but not known, appraised to 16l. (8) PETER NUNNELY.

TAKEN up in Amherst county, a white sow with ears cropped, she has three young pigs, unmarked. Appraised to 3l. 15s. (2‖) JAMES HOPKINS.

TAKEN up on Waqua creek, in Brunswick county, a likely bay mare 2 or 3 years old last spring, with a small white spot in her forehead, and both hind feet white, 4 feet 6½ inches high, branded but not branded. Appraised to 200l. (1) GEORGE WALKER.

TAKEN up on Licking Hole creek, in Goochland county, a red and black spotted horrow, about 3 years old, marked with a crop in the left ear, and underkeel in the right ear. Posted and appraised to 35s. (2‖) WILLIAM MITCHELL.

TAKEN up in King George county, near Boyd's hole, a dark bay mare, about 10 years old, 13 hands high, hanging mane and switch tail, gallops and trots, branded on the near buttock +, and came to my plantation in September 1778, since has a foal. Posted and appraised to 75l. (1) WILLIAM M'GILBRAY.

TAKEN up in Nansemond county, a chestnut sorrel horse, about 9 years old, 13½ hands high, with a star in his forehead, switch tail, trots and paces, his right ear croped, part of his off hind foot white and had a hanging mane and switch tail. Posted and appraised to 100l. (1) MICHEL KING.

TAKEN up on Great Bird creek Goochland county, a grey flea-bitten horse appears to be about 11 or 12 years old, 4 feet 8 or 9 in his high, branded on the off buttock ¶ K in a piece. Posted and appraised to 150l. Also a bay colt, 1 year old, neither docked nor branded. Appraised to 45l. (1) HENRY TUGGLE.

TAKEN up in Orange county a dun coloured roan horse, about 9 or 10 years old, 4 feet 9 or 10 inches high, with a blaze in his face, short docked, and a scar on his withers, a black spot on the off knee, the off hind leg white as high as the ham, shod before, and branded on the near buttock P C. Appraised to 100l. (8) THOMAS STAPP.

TAKEN up in the north fork of James river in Pittsylvania county, a dark bay mare, 4 feet 7 in her high, appears to be about 8 years old, both her hind feet white, a large star in her forehead, and has been guided on the breast, no brand perceivable. Appraised to 50l. (2‖) RICHARD BENNIT.

TAKEN up in Augusta county, a black mare, about 9 or 10 years old, 13 hands 2 or 3 inches high, branded on the near buttock S. Posted and appraised to 200l. (1) WILLIAM GILLESPY.

TAKEN up in Orange, on the Rappadan river, a sorrel mare colt two years old last spring, has a long tail, and branded on the near buttock D. Posted and appraised to 150l. (1) MAY BURTON.

TAKEN up in Orange county, a black yearling, with a white belly, marked with a crop and underkeel in the right ear, and a crop, hole, and underkeel in the left. Posted and appraised to 6l. (1) CHARLES PORTER.

TAKEN up in Orange county at Mr. John Boyd's quarter, a black horse, about 17 years old, branded on the near buttock DO, has a white down his face, one glass eye, both his hind feet white, and about 14 hands 2 inches high. Valued to 30l. (1) JAMES NEWMAN.

ST. JOHN'S (in Antigua) October 6.

Extract of a letter from a Midshipman, on board the Vengeance, *to his friend here Sept. 24, 1779.*

"THE fleet, after cruising to windward of Barbadoes for three weeks has been at laſt ſucceſsful, and nearly taken the whole of a fleet of tranſports 14 in number, bound for St. Domingo, with ſix months proviſions for the French troops there. Six of them are ſent into Barbadoes, the Preſton is gone with three into your iſland, and three of our men of war are now in full chace of the other five, and nearly up with them; you may ſet them down as in ſafe cuſtody. We hope very ſoon to ſend you ſome good news of a more conſiderable capture."

By a veſſel arrived this morning from St. Chriſtophers, we are informed that the ſquadron under Admiral Parker, has fallen in with 70 ſail of French ſhips under convoy of five ſail of the line, and has taken the whole fleet with their convoy.

BASSETERRE, *September* 28.

ON Thurſday laſt arrived in a cartel from Martinique, Capt. Sutton and the crew of the Sphinx 20 gun ſhip. which was taken to leeward of Barbadoes, on the 9th inſtant, by the Amphitrite, a French frigate of 38 guns, they engaged for one hour and 55 minutes; the Sphinx had 3 men killed and 4 wounded; at the ſame time was taken the tender of the Furnace bomb; but the bomb, though to leeward, eſcaped.

On Sunday laſt was ſent in here by the Beagle privateer, Captain Anderſon, the ſchooner Friendſhip, Captain Turner, who ſays that on Wedneſday laſt, being then in latitude 20. 19. N. he fell in with two fleets, five of which were engaged, and others uſing every effort to join in the action. That the French ſeemed inclined to run, but he apprehended they were too cloſe to effect that purpoſe. That he ſtayed five glaſſes to ſee the action; and that when he bore away, he left them engaged. We apprehend that thoſe French ſhips muſt have been the reinforcement intended for D'Eſtaing, which have fallen in with Admiral Parker's fleet, as he was cruiſing to the N. E. of Barbadoes, We wait with impatience for a confirmation of this intelligence.

PHILADELPHIA, *November* 9.

Extract of a letter from Major General Gates, *to the Preſident of Congreſs, dated* Newport, *October* 27, 1779.

SIR,

"I HAVE the honour to acquaint your Excellency, that this iſland was evacuated by the enemy's troops on the night of the 25th inſtant, and the next morning the army under my command took poſſeſſion of the town of Newport: I have further the pleaſure to inform your Excellency, that the enemy did not commit any wanton deſtruction upon their leaving the iſland; the batteries and defences towards the ſea line only being demoliſhed; about 1400 tons of hay, 450 cords of firewood, 600 cords of peat, and a large quantity of ſtraw were left in the enemy's magazines.

"If the United States do not receive every advantage that can be made from the enemy's precipitate retreat from this iſland, it will not be for want of faithfulneſs and aſſiduity therein; for I aſſure your Excellency that neither myſelf nor the officers under my command, have any object but the publick good.

"I am now wholly employed in ſecuring the advantage we have gained, by fixing batteries of heavy cannon to the ſea line, and in fortifying every poſt that commands the harbour: This ſo entirely engroſſes all my time, that I muſt beg your Excellency will excuſe my referring you to my Aid de Camp, Major Armſtrong, for the further particulars relative to the evacuation and repoſſeſſion of Rhode Iſland.

"Before I cloſe my letter I muſt in juſtice to the whole army under my command, ſay, that I have ever diſcovered in them, the utmoſt zeal and alertneſs in their obedience to all the orders I have given: Civil liberty and the rights of mankind, are well ſupported by ſuch gallant men."

Publiſhed by order of Congreſs.

CHARLES THOMSON, *Secretary.*

BALTIMORE, *Nov.* 9.

THE Britiſh fleet, conſiſting of 19 ſail of the line, two 50 gun ſhips, three frigates, and three ſtoreſhips, now under the command of Admiral Hyde Parker, on their paſſage from St. Kitts to Barbadoes fell in with a Spaniſh ſhip from Mexico, which was boarded by the Cornwall; ſhe had on board a large quantity of gold duſt and dollars, ſuppoſed to amount to a million of ſolid coin; but the fleet not knowing of a Spaniſh war, ſhe was ſuffered to depart.—The above mentioned fleet, it is now ſaid, are daily expected at New York.

We have accounts from London by the packet which arrived at New York a day or two ago, that the combined fleets of France and Spain, conſiſting of 60 ſail of the line, and 20 frigates, lay off Plymouth, from the 24th to the 28th of Auguſt; during their ſtay there, they took the Ardent Britiſh man of war, of 64 guns, in ſight of the garriſon. After this capture, they ſteered to the Iriſh coaſt. The inhabitants of Plymouth were thrown into the greateſt conſternation; all their cattle were driven off, and there were given as high as 20 guineas for a chaiſe to move out of town. This you ſee was the 28th of Auguſt, and Sir Charles Hardy writes that he was out, looking for the combined fleet, the 20th when he was 20 leagues off Scilly. Since which, you will ſee, by the following extract from a New York paper, that there had been no action ſo late as the 8th of September. There is a great deal of intelligence in the newſpapers. I will endeavour to ſend them to you in my next."

Extract from a New York paper

"By private letters from Falmouth, as late as the 8th of September, we learn, that the Royal fleet then lay at St. Helen's, and conſiſted of 48 ſail of the line."

On Sunday morning laſt, Major Clarkſon, of New York (a Gentleman who ſerved at Saratoga, with great reputation, as an aid to Major General Arnold, and who hath acted in the ſame ſtation during the preſent Campaign to the Southward, under Major General Lincoln) arrived in town from the banks of the Savannah (but laſt from Charleſtown, in 15 days) with deſpatches from General Lincoln, to the Hon. Congreſs at Philadelphia, for which place he ſet off yeſterday morning. Theſe deſpatches contain the particulars of an unſucceſsful aſſault on the town of Savannah, and the ſubſequent retreat of the allied army, from before that place, which will, no doubt, in due time, be communicated to the publick.

Major Clarkſon gives us the following account of this moſt unfortunate event. The cannonade and bombardment of the town of Savannah (though many buildings therein where burnt and deſtroyed) not producing the deſired effect, and the Count D'Eſtaing being unable, for certain important reaſons, to ſtay long enough to finiſh the ſiege, by regular approaches, came to the reſolution, in concert with General Lincoln, of making a vigorous aſſault on the town. In conſequence of this reſolution, the allied army, conſiſting of about 3200 French, and 2400 Americans, were formed in 2 columns for the attack; two detachments to make two feints at certain places fixed on, and a corps of reſerve; the remainder were ſtationed as guards to the artillery, baggage, &c. This diſpoſition being made, on Saturday morning, the 9th of laſt month, juſt at the dawn of day, the 2 columns, deſtined for the aſſault, advanced in the moſt gallant manner; the right, conſiſting of about two thouſand French, led on by the intrepid Count D'Eſtaing, and the left, compoſed of twelve hundred Americans, headed by the brave General Lincoln. The deſign was to force into the town, if poſſible, without firing a gun, there to form, and commence their farther operations. The garriſon amounting to 2600, including Col. Maitland's detachment, which eſcaped from Beaufort, and threw themſelves into the town, being too well prepared to receive them, the town being completely environed by ſtrong redoubts and abattis, a moſt tremendous diſcharge of artillery and muſketry now began from the enemy's works on the advancing columns. Notwithſtanding which, they marched forward with the greateſt rapidity and reſolution, and part of them entered the enemy's abattis. After an arduous bloody conflict of one hour and ſix minutes, during which the Count D'Eſtaing was wounded ſlightly in his leg and arm, General Pulaſki mortally wounded, Majors Motte and Wiſe, of Carolina, killed, and ſeveral other officers of both columns, and about 300 privates killed and wounded, this little army, this noble band of brothers, was forced to abandon their hardy enterpriſe and retire to their works, 150 yards diſtant, which they did with a regularity that would have done honour to the beſt troops of Pruſſia, the enemy making but a very feeble purſuit. After remaining 4 days before the town, the enemy not daring to commence an attack, the Generals judged it prudent to raiſe the ſiege. The Count, when Major Clarkſon came away, was preparing to embark his troops, and General Lincoln had retreated to Puryſburg, in South Carolina, ſituated on the Savannah, 24 miles from the capital of that name.

The brave Count Pulaſki died of his wounds on the 13th of October, and his corpſe was carried to Charleſtown, and there interred with great military funeral pomp, and with every other mark of reſpect that a generous and grateful people could ſhow a hero, who had ſacrificed his life in defence of their liberties.

The loſs of the French was about 330, and that of the Americans 270, in killed and wounded.

General Clinton's army ſtationed at New York, Long iſland, and Staten iſland, amounted about a fortnight ſince, to 16,500 men.

WILLIAMSBURG, NOVEMBER 20.

CHARLES KNIGHT and Nathaniel Abney of Amelia, were lately taken together with a number of implements for making printing types, in order to counterfeit our treaſury notes, and were yeſterday committed to the publick jail in this city.

Sarah Rogers of Cumberland county, was laſt week diſcharged from the publick hoſpital in this city, ſhe having recovered her right ſenſes.

On Saturday laſt, Andrew Wilſon, alias John Williams, alias John Gordon (who enliſted three different times, and deſerted as often) was ſhot at the barracks, near this city, agreeable to his ſentence.

☞ *The great increaſe in the prices of all the neceſſaries of life, and the very extravagant prices which we are obliged to give for paper and every other article uſed in the printing buſineſs, compels us to raiſe the price of our Gazette to* FIFTY DOLLARS *per annum. One half to be paid at the time of ſubſcribing, and the other half at the expiration of twelve months. We ſhall continue the papers at the old price to the preſent cuſtomers until their ſubſcription is out, at which time they will be diſcontinued unleſs orders are given to the contrary.*

BARRACKS *(Williamſburg) November* 18, 1779.

PARDON is hereby proclaimed (without further tryal) to all deſerters from the ſtate garriſon regiment, that will voluntarily come and join their regiment ſtationed at *Williamſburg*, in ſix weeks from this date.

CHARLES PORTERFIELD, Lieut. Col. 8. G. R.

To be ſold for ready money on Tueſday *the 7th of* December, *at the late dwelling-houſe of Mrs.* Anne Burwell, *deceaſed, of* York *county,*

MANY valuable horſes, a large ſtock of fine cattle, ſheep, and hogs, houſehold and kitchen furniture, conſiſting of about 100 ounces of ſilver plate, a compleat ſet of blue and white table china, one dozen new mahogony chairs, ſeveral new beds, blankets, ſheets, tablecloths, knives and forks, *&c. &c.* Alſo on *Friday* the 10th of *December*, will be expoſed to ſale at her late plantation in *King William* county, the ſtocks of horſes, cattle, ſheep, and hogs, ſome corn, fodder, *&c.* All perſons having demands againſt the above eſtate, are deſired to bring in their accounts properly proved, and thoſe indebted thereto, are deſired to make immediate payment to

WALTER JONES,
NATHANIEL BURWELL,
JOHN BRACKEN,
} Executors.

MONSIEUR DE CHEF DE BIEN, LIMNER IN MINIATURE,

BEGS leave to inform the Ladies and Gentlemen, who are deſirous of having their pictures drawn in miniature, that they will be waited upon, by addreſſing a line to him at *Mr. William Davenports.* 1‖

WILLIAMSBURG, *October* 19, 1779.

MONSIEUR JEAN CADOU intends opening a DANCING-SCHOOL, on *Monday* next, at the house of Mr. *Cornelius De Forest*, and will teach on *Mondays* and *Tuesdays*, for 30 dollars *per* month. He will also teach Ladies the FRENCH LANGUAGE, either at their own houses, or at the house of Mr. *De Forest*: Price the same as for dancing. Gentlemen may make application to him at Captain *William Davenport's*, in the back street. (1‖)

FOR sale, a plantation adjoining on *Nansemond* river, a mile above *Holladay's* point, containing between 200 and 300 acres including a very firm marsh, with proper houses for the reception of a family, with a profitable overshorned mill almost new, the annual toll of which is about 40 barrels of corn, there is a good apple and peach orchard, and is convenient to fish, and the best oysters are taken in *Nansemond* river. Also one other plantation in *Southampton* county, on the three creeks, about 27 miles above the court-house adjoining Mr. *Henry Applewhite's* land, containing 215 acres, old patent, with a good apple orchard and some small improvements, the land kind for grain, and by being contiguous to the three creeks, is good range for stock, hogs in particular. Mr. *Applewhite* will shew the land to any inclined to view it, and the terms known of the subscriber living on the first mentioned place.

(2‖) WILLIAM COFFIELD.

FOR sale the land whereon the subscriber now lives, in the county of *Hanover*, binding on both sides of *North Anna* river, containing 1465 acres, a considerable part of which are low grounds, of an excellent quality, that lies high and in large bodies; about one third of the land is cleared, and in very good order for cropping, having thereon upwards of 120 acres sowed in small grain the high land to clear is in general very good for tobacco, there are several large orchards of well chosen fruit; also two large well watered meadows that have for several years yielded very large crops of hay the buildings on said land are almost new and of great value, being sufficiently good for the reception of a large and genteel family, their situation is high, pleasant, and as healthy as any in this state.— I would either sell the above land in small tracts or altogether, as may best suit those who have a mind to purchase, and give possession at *Christmas*. (4‖) ISAAC WINSTON.

☞ I have 2000 acres of land on *Kentucky*, that I would sell.

GLOUCESTER, *November* 15, 1779.

THE subscriber has for sale 300 bushels of good country made salt, and will attend at *Hanover* court-house, the 1st *Thursday* in *December*, in order to treat with any person inclinable to purchase.

(1‖) STERLING THORNTON.

To be SOLD at next Lancaster *court*,

A PLANTATION containing 75 acres, with a dwelling-house 28 by 16, and a shed 10 feet wide, a cellar the whole length, two brick chimneys, and a good apple and peach orchard, within a mile of many good landings on the dividing creeks. At the same time will be sold, a small plantation on *Coaxoman* river, bought for 50 acres, being the best landing on that river, and fit for the establishment of warehouses for speedily loading of ships. This last place is situated so as to command the greatest quantity of fish and oysters, and is very proper for a waterman. The other plantation is so contiguous to water, that the inconveniency of being immediately upon it, is hardly perceived. *Onesepherus Harvey* in *Northumberland*, will agree with a previous purchaser for the first, and *Robert Gilmore* in *Lancaster*, for the second. Possession for the last may be had immediately; the first on the first of *January*, 1780. (1‖)

TO be SOLD by the escheator for the county of *Henry*, the following tracts of land, viz. 1100 acres on the branches of *Marrow'one* creek, at *Walter Dunn's*, the 1st day of *December* next; 966 acres on the branches of *Leatherwood* creek, at *John Weis's*, on the 4th of *December*; and 3123 acres on *Doe* run, at Capt. *Edward Coates's*, on the 6th of *December*.

(2) JOHN FONTAIN, JOHN DILLARD. } Commissioners.

To be SOLD at auction, at Prince George *court-house, on* Tuesday *the* 14*th of* December, *being court day*,

A VALUABLE unimproved tract of land in that county, containing 852 acres adjoining Mr. *William Bonner's* plantation, and lying on *Warwick* swamp; near 200 acres of which are good low grounds, and as well timbered with white oak, poplar, and pine, as any tract in the state. It lies only 15 miles from *Petersburg*, and *Hood's* landing, on *James* river, and about 16 miles from *Cabin Point*. A year's credit may be had, if required, paying interest from the day of sale. The sale of this land, as last advertised, was prevented by my accidentally getting my chair broke on my way up. A Gentleman in the neighbourhood of the court house is now authorised to conduct the sale, to guard against casualties in future.

YORK, *November* 15, 1779. W. GOOSELEY.

To be SOLD on the premises, on Saturday *the* 11*th of* December *next, for ready money*,

ABOUT 400 acres of LAND lying in the upper end of *Caroline* county, with a tolerable good dwelling-house and kitchen thereon, lately the property of *Cuninham*, and company. Also on the *Monday* following will be sold at *Port Royal*, the lot and houses lately the property of *Gray* and company, which are well calculated for the reception of a merchant. The whole being escheated, and become vested in the commonwealth.

(1‖) EDMUND PENDLETON, Jun. Escheator.

SEPTEMBER 30, 1779.

LOST in passing through the county of *Pittsylvania*, a POCKET-BOOK, wherein was (among other papers) two bonds, executed by *John Markham*, Gentleman, payable to me; the first for 1000l. payable the 25th of *December* 1779; the other for 900l. payable the 25th of *December* 1780; I therefore give this publick notice to all persons, not to take an assignment of the above bonds, as they may depend upon such to be forged. (2‖) JOHN DONELSON.

To be RENTED the third day of December,

THE PLANTATION, FERRY, and ORDINARY, in *Prince George* county, belonging to the estate of *Joseph Wilkins*. Bond and security will be required by

(2‖) THE ADMINISTRATORS

WANTED,

A GENTLEMAN properly qualified for keeping a school which is proposed to be opened on the first of *January* next, in *Lynhaven* parish of this county, for the education of poor orphans, pursuant to the will of the Reverend *Robert Lichfon*, deceased, who left the greatest part of his estate as a fund for the support thereof — He will be accommodated with convenient houses of all kinds on a valuable plantation, containing about 300 acres, on which is a good orchard.—A clergyman would be preferred, the said parish being vacant.—Any person willing to take charge of the same is desired to apply to the subscribers, and bring a recommendation well attested.

(1) EDWARD HACK MOSELY, Junior.
ANTHONY WALKE.

PRINCESS ANNE, *November* 3, 1779.

THE subscriber takes the liberty to inform the publick, that he has opened tavern in the town of *Fredericksburg*, at the house formerly occupyed by Mr. *John Baggot*, deceased. He is provided with good stabbage, *&c.* for horses, and the best attendance will be given to those Gentlemen who please to favour him with their company.

(2‖) JOHN BENSON.

WILLIAMSBURG, *November* 17, 1779.

THOSE who have any demands against the estate of *Richard Charlton*, deceased, are desired to bring in their accounts properly attested, and receive payment; and those indebted to the said estate, are requested to make immediate payment, as no indulgence can be given.

(2) SARAH CHARLTON, Executrix.
I. M. GALT, Executor.

ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS REWARD.

DESERTED from this city, SAMUEL CHESTER, an *Irishman*, about 5 feet 7 or 8 inches high, dark hair and eyebrows, hazle eyes, his hair tied behind, down look, of a brown complexion, a weaver by trade, and said he came from *York*; his dress, a short brown coat, white waistcoat and breeches, blue stockings, and a round hat. I will give the above reward to any person who delivers the said deserter to me in *Williamsburg*, or secures him in any jail so that I get him again.

EDWARD DIGGES, *Public Treasurer.*

RUN away on the 6th of *March* last, from the subscriber's plantation in the lower end of *Mecklenburg* a negro man by birth an *African*, upwards of 30 years of age, of large stature, speaks broken *English*. Whoever will deliver the above runaway to Colonel *Paul Carrington*, in *Charlotte*, to the overseer at the plantation from which he went, or to the subscriber in *Hanover*, shall receive a reward of 50l.

(2‖) JOSEPH MAYO.

At a Court of Admiralty, held at the capitol in the city of Williamsburg, *the* 9*th of* November, 1779.

THE order made in the suit instituted in this court by *Abraham Meyrick, Thomas Ward*, and *Thomas Bentley*, against the schooner *Success*, her guns, rigging, tackle, apparel, furniture, and lading, having been duly published, and no person appearing to shew cause to the contrary, the libel is taken for confessed, and thereupon, and on consideration of the depositions and papers filed, it is ordered, adjudged, and decreed, that the said schooner, with her guns, rigging, tackle, apparel, furniture, and lading, be condemned; and that the Marshal pay £ 8305-1-3. being one half of the nett proceeds of the sales thereof, to the libellants, for and in lieu of salvage, and retain the other half in his hands, subject to the future order of the court; and that this sentence be also published three times in the *Virginia* gazette.

Test, WILLIAM RUSSELL, *Register*.

NB. The above schooner, whereof *Simon Florentine* was master, did belong to *John M'Gennis* of *South Carolina* and was captured the beginning of *September* last, by the privateer *Royal Charlotte* of *New York*.

To be SOLD by the escheators on Monday *the* 29*th instant* (November) *for ready money, at the house of Mr.* William Harrison, *on the premises* (Goochland *county*) *and continue till all are sold*,

UPWARDS of 9000 acres of very valuable land, to be laid off in lots not exceeding 400 acres each; many of which will have a large proportion of rich low grounds on *James* river, and the high land very good. The land lies on both sides the line which divides the counties of *Goochland* and *Fluvanna*. Also 206 very fine negroes, among which are six good carpenters, two blacksmiths, and two shoemakers, a large number of horses, mares, and colts, among which are five imported mares, and a number of blooded colts; large flocks of horned cattle, a flock of hogs and sheep, pork, corn, and tobacco, a great variety of plantation utenfils, and many other valuable articles too numerous to mention.

(5) THOMAS F. BATES, WILLIAM HOLMAN. } Commissioners.

TO be SOLD at *Hanover* court-house, on the first *Thursday* in *December* next, being court-day, for ready money, or loan office certificates, twenty five valuable SLAVES, consisting of men, women, and children. (2‖)

To be SOLD by the escheator, the 25*th day of this month, for ready money, at the house of Mr.* William Mitchel *in* Goochland *county*.

TWO exceeding likely negro fellows; also a number of valuable horses, and a variety of valuable kitchen and household furniture, and many articles too numerous to particularise; also will be sold at the same time and place, upwards of 500 acres of good grain land called and known by the name of *Elam's* tract, lying in the said county of *Goochland*, the sales will begin at the said *Mitchel's*, at 10 o'clock, and continue till all are sold.

2‖ THOMAS F BATES, WILLIAM HOLMAN, } Commissioners.

TO BE SOLD,

ABOUT 5000 acres of LAND, upon the line dividing the counties of *Mecklenburg* and *Charlotte*, and is the remarkable and well known tract of valuable tobacco land called *Finneywood*, of a quality, and under such improvements, as will pass any view or inspection, with the first degrees of credit, for the purpose of either farming or planting. Several other tracts in the counties of *Amelia*, *Charlotte*, and *Mecklenburg*, from one to 2500 acres each, of good quality, and well improved. I shall attend at *Petersburg* from the 25th of *November* next, until all are sold; to sell a considerable quantity of beef, pork, and mutton, either alive or slaughtered, in small or large quantities, large and very fat. At the same place and time I shall have for sale, six waggons well equiped for the road, with a team of four horses to each, in prime order, twenty odd beautiful young blooded horses, excellent for the saddle or light carriages, of full size, and in the highest perfection and a stud horse from old bay *Bolton* and *Fearnaught*, rising four years old, uncommonly large, being fully proportioned, as well as delicately made, to the remarkable height of five feet seven inches, in great order, and of the first colour and marks. Upon a good price being offered me, and no better than what I know is currently given at some of our neighbouring ports, where it is no more valuable than at our own, I will sell 500 hogsheads of tobacco, the heaviest and of the best quality I ever was concerned with in the long course of thirty odd years merchandise, being the picking of most of the prime crops in this quarter, and manufactured under my most particular directions, I believe the whole will average 1450 a hogshead, many over 1600 nett. I want to purchase a large quantity of young slaves, chiefly females, from fifteen to twenty years of age (at least fifty of them) and will give a good price in ready money: Therefore whoever have of that kind for sale, and will let me know it, I will attend them for that purpose, as far as eight or ten in a place, in any part of this state, as soon as I am released from the sales aforesaid, which I am in hopes will be in ten days from the begining thereof.

(6) MATTHEW MARABLE.

OCTOBER 2, 1779.

To be SOLD, for ready money, on the 8th day of December *next, if fair, otherwise next fair day, at the plantation whereon the subscriber now lives in* Brunswick *county, near to* Pennington's *ford,*

A LARGE quantity of *Indian* corn, all the stock on the said plantation, consisting of cattle, horses, sheep, and hogs. Also a quantity of good household and kitchen furniture.—*** All persons who are indebted to me are requested to make payment, on or before the day of sale, that I may be enabled to make payment to all those who have any demands against me on the day of sale, at which time they are earnestly requested to attend, as it will be out of my power to attend every one separately, intending in a few days after the sale, to leave this state, and to remove into *North Carolina*, on *Peedee*.

(8) JOHN HARDAWAY.

TO BE SOLD,

A TRACT of land containing 300 acres, within 4 miles of *Staunton*, in *Augusta* county; on the premises are a young apple and peach orchard, a quantity of exceeding good meadow, and a complete bleaching-mill, which if the purchaser does not choose to employ in the bleaching business, may at a small expense be converted into a grist, saw, and fulling-mill, the shaft being calculated to contain all them works. For terms apply to Mr. *Alexander Sinclair*, in *Staunton*, or the subscriber in Richmond town. (1) SMYTH TANDY.

THE subscriber being concerned in the purchase of lands now called *Transylvania*, from the *Cherokee Indians*, and wishing to have it in his power to move out and settle the same, would sell, on reasonable terms, the well known seat of *Hartford*, about two miles from *Hillsborough*, in *Orange* county, *North Carolina*, which contains 300 acres of land, a dwelling-house 48 by 30 feet, with two small houses 20 by 16, which stand as wings, 20 feet distance from the main house, and joined by plazzas, all two story high. Another dwelling-house 32 by 26, which is now occupied as a tavern, a good grist mill double geared with superfine bolting cloths, and in good repair, a compleat oil mill lately built, a fulling-mill with every conveniency for manufacturing woollen cloths, a saw mill; a tan yard with three or four hundred hides now in tan, bark-house, &c. a distillery with three good stills and a large copper kettle for mashing and brewing; a malt-house and kiln; a blacksmith's shop with two sets of good tools; a storehouse and warehouse, and a number of other convenient out-houses, with utensils necessary for carrying on the above manufactories. Also several other tracts of good land, and on some of which are valuable improvements. The terms will be made easy, by allowing the purchaser to name the day of payment, on giving bond with approved security, and paying interest from the date.

(4) THOMAS HART.

WHEREAS several persons have of late made a practice of hunting upon my land whereon I live, within the bounds of Captain *John Grevis's* company, on the *South Branch* of *Shenandoah* river, the hounds and dogs made use of in such hunting, have destroyed my sheep and I have lost my cattle and hogs, which I have reason to believe is by the same cause. These are to forewarn all persons in future not to hunt on my land, nor set fire thereto, at their peril.

(48) FREDERICK STULL.

ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS REWARD.

STAYED or stolen from a pasture near *Alexandria* on the night of the 5th instant (*October*) a sorrel GELDING, with a small blaze, a long tail, about 15 hands high, seven or eight years old, strong made and high boned, he paces, trots, and gallops. Whoever takes up the said horse and delivers him to *Mr. William Herbert*, in *Alexandria*, Mr. *Patrick Murray*, in *Winchester*, or to the deputy quarter master general in *Lancaster*, shall for apprehending the horse and thief, receive the above reward, or for the horse alone, 50 dollars and reasonable charges.

(6) MORGAN CONNOR.

To be LEASED for three years,

TO commence from the first day of *January* 1780, at which time possession will be given, the plantation whereon the late Mr. *Matthias Marriott* formerly lived, lying in *Surry* county, within one mile of the court-house, and on the head of *Grey's* creek. There is every necessary house on this plantation for the reception of a large family, and is now under good repair, there are orchards of apple and peach trees. The saw mill with her appurtenances, and a 25 hogshead flat for the use of said mill, will be included in the lease for this plantation. Also two other tracts for the term of five years, to commence from said first day of *January* 1780, at which time possession may be had, to wit: One lying within a mile of the court-house aforesaid, is now under good repair for cropping, has such houses as are necessary for an overseer and to secure a crop, and is capable of working five or six hands to advantage. The other is situated in the neighbourhood of the last mentioned, and has such improvements as may suit a small family. The grist-mill very lately rebuilt which is included within the bounds of the first named plantation, will be leased seperate from the same. Any person inclinable to treat for the whole or either of the plantations, may know the conditions of the several leases by applying to me within two miles of the *Manor* plantation. (5t) JACOB FAULCON,

guardian to the orphans.

For SALE, pursuant to the last will and testament of Thomas Critcher *deceased,*

ABOUT 1300 acres of very valuable LAND, lying on *Fishing* creek, in *Granville* county, *North Carolina*, whereon are a very large and elegant dwellinghouse, almost new, with 6 rooms below and 4 above stairs, a brick chimney at each end, and a good cellars, a very good store and warehouse, kitchen, smokehouse, dairy, cornhouse, 3 stables, and several negro houses, a large garden and yard well paled in. There is also on the said land a very valuable grist mill, a dwellinghouse, and necessary outhouses, besides those above mentioned, about half a mile from the first mentioned dwelling-house. This place lies on as publick a road as any in the state, and is as well situated for a tavern, and hath as many conveniencies for that business as any in the state; it lies within 100 miles of *Petersburg*, 60 miles of *Halifax*, 80 miles of *Farborough*, and 1¼ mile of *Granville* court-house. Those inclinable to purchase the same will be shewn it by *Thomas Critcher* who lives on the premises. For terms apply to either of the executors. Credit will be given for part.

(4) EASTHER CRITCHER,
SAMUEL MOORE,
NATHANIEL ROCHESTER,
THOMAS CRITCHER, } Executors.

HAMPTON, *October* 26, 1779.

ALL persons having demands against Capt. *Francis Lennis*, deceased, are desired to apply for payment immediately, and all persons that is indebted to the said deceased are requested to make immediate payment to (1) WILLIAM BALLARD, Administrator.

KINGS CREEK, York *county*, *November* 3, 1779.

I PURPOSE commencing oyster merchant, and shall be ready to deliver a considerable quantity every week at my landing, either open, or in the shells. WILLIAM POSTEUR.

OCTOBER 20, 1779.

I DESIRE all persons that have any claim against the estate of the late Mr. *James Davenport*, to make application on or before the first day of *January* next, as I will not be answerable for any debt due from the said estate, after that date.

(2t) JOS. PEIRCE, Administrator.

FOR CHARTER,

THE schooner HENRICO, now lying at *Broadway*, a new well built vessel, burthen about 90 hogshead, completely fitted for sea, and will be ready to take in her load immediately. For terms apply to

(1) DONALD & FRENCH.

PETERSBURG, *October* 18, 1779.

THE legatees of the estate of Mr. *John Sherwar* deceased, are desired to meet at Mr. *William Keen's*, in *York* county, on *York* river, known by the name of *Capahosick* ferry, on the 8th day of *December* next, if fair, otherwise the next fair day, to settle the said estate, likewise desire all persons having demand, against the estate, to make them known on that day, as we shall pay no regard to any brought in after that time.

(1) THE EXECUTORS.

AMELIA county, *October* 5, 1779.

THIS is to inform the publick that I have a deed of trust for all and every kind of property belonging to *Matthew Branch* of the county of *Prince Edward* with full power to negociate and settle all matters respecting the estate of the said *Branch*, and I do hereby forewarn all persons from having any dealings or trusting the said *Matthew Branch* on account of the said estate for I will not pay any debts out of it that he may contract. (1) THOMAS JONES.

ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS REWARD

RUN away the 29th of *September*, from the subscriber, living at *Coe's* ferry, on *Staunton* river, in *Halifax* county, DANIEL, a stout black fellow, about 23 years old, 5 feet 9 or 10 inches high, has a scar or two on his upper lip, and one on his breast, has a flat foot, large ancles, and several grey hairs in his head, had on an old green jump jacket, a shirt, an old pair of short breeches, and an old hat, and was some time past purchased from *Josiah Hunley* of *Amelia*, and formerly belonged to Mr. *Dickinson*, of *York* county. Any person who shall secure the said slave so that I get him again, shall receive the above reward, and if brought home, reasonable expenses besides.

(4t) ROBERT RAKESTRAW

TAKEN up in Bedford *near the mouth of* Flat *creek, a white cow, marked with a crop and slit in the left ear, and a half crop in the right ear. Appraised to* 8*l.* (2t) JOHN TALBOT.